

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 2372 - SB 2341**

March 23, 2009

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Prohibits the Department of Children's Services (DCS) from requiring adoptive parents to make payments to the Department for the care of a child who has been removed from the adoptive home for any reason other than dependency and neglect.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Decrease State Revenue - \$19,200**

Assumptions:

- The proposed legislation will prohibit DCS from collecting child support from adoptive parents whose child comes into state custody due to the child being found delinquent or unruly.
- DCS estimates that there are approximately 15 cases annually that the Department will no longer be able to collect child support from the parents. The average monthly support is \$213 and the reunification averages six months.
- There will be a decrease in revenue of \$19,170 (15 x \$213 per month x 6 months).

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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